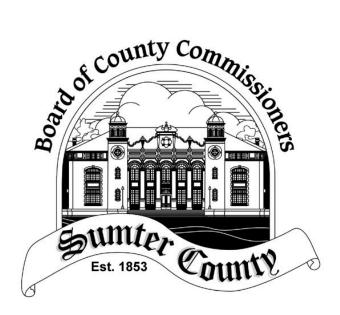
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

SUMTER COUNTY

MISDEMEANOR PROBATION SERVICES

RFP # 010-0-2011/AT



Board of Sumter County Commissioners Financial Services Department Amanda Taylor, Procurement Coordinator 7375 Powell Road Wildwood, FL 34785

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Date of Issue: May 13, 2011

Due Date / Time: June 13, 2011 @ 2:00pm

CALENDAR OF EVENTS / RFP TIMELINE

Listed below are the important dates and times by which the actions noted must be completed. All dates are subject to change by the Sumter County. If Sumter County finds it necessary to change any of these dates or times prior to the Proposals due date, the change will be accomplished by addendum.

<u>ACTION</u>	COMPLETION DATE
Issue RFP	May 13, 2011
Last Day for Questions	May 27, 2011 @ 5:00pm
Proposals Due	June 13, 2011 @ 2:00pm, will open at 2:05pm in Room 208*
Internal Proposal Review	June 13, to June 16, 2011
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Selection Committee Meeting	in Room 208*
Recommendation to the Sumter County BOCC	June 28, 2011

^{*} Room 208 is located at The Villages Sumter County Service Center, 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, FL 34785 on the second floor.

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PART 1 INTENT AND GENERAL INFORMATION

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Sealed Proposals will be received by the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) located at 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, Florida 34785, **June 13, 2011 @ 2:00 p.m. EST.** Proposers shall take careful notice of the following conditions of this Request for Proposals:

- Submissions by FAX or other electronic media will not be accepted under any circumstances. Late submissions will not be accepted under any circumstances.
- Submitters may withdraw and/or replace Proposals at any time until the deadline for submission of Proposals.
- All questions received by<u>5:00p.m., May 27, 2011</u> will be considered.
 Questions will not be answered over the phone. Questions regarding the RFP process must be in writing and faxed to (352) 689-4401 attention Mrs. Amanda Taylor, or via email <u>amanda.taylor@sumtercountyfl.gov</u>. All Requests for Information (RFI's) regarding the project must be faxed to Sumter County, Attention Mrs. Amanda Taylor, 352-689-4401 or via email to <u>amanda.taylor@sumtercountyfl.gov</u>.
- Do not attempt to contact any Selection Committee Member, staff member or person other than Mrs. Amanda Taylor for questions relating to this project. Anyone attempting to lobby Sumter County BOCC representatives may be disqualified. The Selection Committee Members shall be: Bradley Arnold, County Administrator; The Honorable Thomas Skidmore, County Judge, and Deb Barsell, Community Services Division Director.
- Any bidder affected adversely by an intended decision with respect to the award of any bid, shall file with the Financial Services Department for Sumter County, a written notice of intent to file a protest not later than seventy-two (72) hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays), after the posting of the bid tabulation. Bid protest procedures may be obtained in the Financial Services Department, 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, Florida 34785 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH CONTRACTOR TO MONITOR <u>DEMANDSTAR.COM</u> FOR ANY AND ALL BID DOCUMENTS, INCLUDING ADDENDUMS.

OPEN RECORDS

The Sumter County BOCC is governed by Florida's public record laws, Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes. All bids, proposals, quotes and all solicitation documentation are open for public inspection ten (10) days after the solicitation opening or when Sumter County BOCC provides notice of a decision or intended decision, whichever is earlier. Certain proprietary and financial information from vendors may be excluded from release under very strict circumstances. This includes proprietary information or intellectual property as defined in F.S. 119.071 (1) (f).

VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY

Submitters are fully and completely responsible for the labeling, identification and delivery of their Proposals. Sumter County BOCC will not be responsible for any mislabeled or misdirected submissions, nor those handled by delivery persons, couriers, or the U. S. Postal Service.

- Submissions shipped by express delivery, or in overnight or courier envelopes, boxes, or packages must be prominently marked on the outside of such envelopes, boxes or packages with the sealed Proposals identification.
- Any envelopes, boxes, or packages which are not properly labeled, identified, and
 prominently marked with the sealed Proposals identification, may be inadvertently opened
 upon receipt, thereby invalidating such Proposals and excluded from the official Proposals
 opening process.
- Invitation by Sumter County BOCC to vendors is based on the recipient's specific request and application to Demandstar.com, or as the result of response by the public to the legal advertisements required by the State.
- Firms or individuals submit their responses on a voluntary basis, and therefore are not entitled to compensation of any kind. No proposer will be reimbursed for any cost incurred as a result of preparing or submitting their Proposals. Additionally, no travel expenses incurred as a result in participating in the Proposals process will be reimbursed.
- A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a Proposals on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a Proposals on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit Proposals on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Florida Statutes Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.
- Proposals that are incomplete, unbalanced, conditional, obscure, or which contain additions
 not called for, alterations, or irregularities of any kind, or which do not comply with these
 documents may be rejected at the option of the Sumter County BOCC.

STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall maintain, on a primary basis and at its sole expense, at all times during the life of this contract, or the performance of work hereunder, the following insurance coverages, limits, and endorsements described herein. The requirements contained herein, as well as the County's review or acknowledgement, is not intended to and shall not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Contractor under this contract.

Financial Rating of Insurance Companies All insurance companies must have financial rating of **A-** or higher by A.M. Best.

<u>Commercial General Liability</u> The Contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence and \$2,000,000 Annual Aggregate. The coverage shall not contain any endorsement(s) excluding nor limiting Product/Completed Operations, Independent Contractors, Broad Form Property Damage, X-C-U Coverage, Contractual Liability or Cross Liability. The self-insured retention or deductible shall not exceed \$25,000.

Business Automobile Liability The Contractor shall maintain Business Automobile Liability at a

limit of liability not less than **\$1,000,000** Each Occurrence. Coverage shall include liability for Owned, Non-Owned & Hired automobiles. In the event the Contractor does not own automobiles, the Contractor shall maintain coverage for Hired & Non-Owned Auto Liability, which may be satisfied by way of endorsement to the Commercial General Liability policy or separate Business Auto Liability policy.

Worker's Compensation Insurance & Employers Liability The Contractor shall maintain its own Worker's Compensation Insurance & Employers Liability in accordance with Florida Statute Chapter 440. (NOTE: Elective exemptions or coverage through an employee leasing arrangement will NOT satisfy this requirement).

<u>Umbrella or Excess Liability (needed for large contracts as determined by Risk Management)</u>
The Contractor shall maintain either a Commercial Umbrella or Excess Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$2,000,000 Each Occurrence and \$2,000,000 Aggregate. The Contractor shall endorse the County as an <u>"Additional Insured"</u> on the Umbrella or Excess Liability, unless the Commercial Umbrella/Excess Liability provides coverage on a pure "True Follow-Form" basis, or the County is automatically defined as an Additional Protected Person. Any self-insured retention or deductible shall not exceed \$25,000.

Additional Insured __ The Contractor shall endorse the County as an Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability with a CG 2010 Additional Insured — Owners, Lessees, or Contractors, or CG2026 Additional Insured — Owners, Lessees, or Contractors — Scheduled Person or Organization endorsement, or similar endorsement providing equal or broader Additional Insured coverage.

In addition, the Contractor shall endorse the County as an Additional Insured under the Contractor's Commercial Umbrella/Excess Liability as required herein.

The name of the organization endorsed as Additional Insured for all endorsements shall read "Sumter County Board of County Commissioners."

<u>Indemnification</u> The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its offices, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, losses or liability, or any portion thereof, including attorney's fees and costs, arising from injury or death to persons, including injuries, sickness, disease or death to contractor's own employees or damage to property occasioned by a negligent act, omission or failure of the Contractor.

<u>Deductibles, Coinsurance Penalties, & Self-Insured Retention</u> The Contractor shall be fully and solely responsible for any costs or expenses as a result of a coverage deductible, coinsurance penalty, or self-insured retention; including any loss not covered because of the operation of such deductible, coinsurance penalty, self-insured retention, or coverage exclusion or limitation. For deductible amounts that exceed the amounts stated herein that are acceptable to the County, the Contractor shall, when requested by the County, maintain a Commercial Surety Bond in an amount equal to said deductible amount.

<u>Waiver of Subrogation</u> The Contractor shall provide a Waiver of Subrogation in favor of the County, Contractor, subcontractor, architects, or engineers for each required policy providing coverage during the life of this Contract. When required by the insurer, or should a policy condition not permit the Contractor to enter into a pre-loss agreement to waive subrogation without an endorsement, then the Contractor shall notify the insurer and request the policy be endorsed with a Waiver of Transfer of Rights of Recovery Against Others, or an equivalent endorsement. This

Waiver of Subrogation requirement shall not apply to any policy which includes a condition specifically prohibiting such an endorsement, or voids coverage should the Contractor enter into such an agreement on a pre-loss basis.

Right to Revise or Reject The County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and revise any insurance requirement, not limited to limits, coverages and endorsements based on insurance market conditions affecting the availability or affordability of coverage; or changes in the scope of work / specifications affecting the applicability of coverage. Additionally, the County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and reject any insurance policies failing to meet the criteria stated herein, or any insurer(s) providing coverage due to its poor financial condition or failure to operate legally. In such events, the County shall provide the Contractor written notice of such revision or rejections.

No Representation of Coverage Adequacy The coverages, limits or endorsements required herein protect the primary interests of the County, and these coverages, limits or endorsements shall in no way be required to be relied upon when assessing the extent or determining appropriate types and limits of coverage to protect the Contractor against any loss exposures, whether as a result of the Project or otherwise.

<u>Certificate(s)</u> of <u>Insurance</u> The Contractor shall provide the County with Certificate(s) of Insurance clearly evidencing that all coverages, limits and endorsements required herein are maintained and in full force and effect. A minimum thirty (30) day endeavor to notify due to cancellation or non-renewal of coverage shall be identified on each Certificate of Insurance. In the event the County is notified that a required insurance coverage will cancel or expire during the period of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to furnish the County prior to the expiration of such insurance, a new Certificate of Insurance evidencing replacement coverage. When notified by the County, the Contractor agrees not to continue work pursuant to this Contract, unless all required insurance remains in effect.

The County shall have the right, but not the obligation, of prohibiting the Contractor from entering the Project site until a new Certificate of Insurance is provided to the County evidencing the replacement coverage. The Contractor agrees the County reserves the right to withhold payment to the Contractor until evidence of reinstated or replacement coverage is provided to the County. If the Contractor fails to maintain the insurance as set forth herein, the Contractor agrees the County shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase replacement insurance, which the Contractor agrees to reimburse any premiums or expenses incurred by the County.

The Contractor agrees the Certificate(s) of Insurance shall:

- Clearly indicate the County has been endorsed on the Commercial General Liability with a <u>CG 2010 Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees, or Contractors, or CG 2026 Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees, or Contractors – Scheduled Person or Organization endorsement, or similar endorsement providing equal or greater Additional Insured coverage.
 </u>
- 2. Clearly indicate the County is endorsed as an Additional Insured, or Loss Payee, on the Builder's Risk, and when applicable, Additional Insured on the Commercial Umbrella/Excess Liability as required herein.
- 3. Clearly identify each policy's limits, flat & percentage deductibles, sub limits, or self-insured retentions, which exceed the amounts or percentages set forth herein.
- 4. Clearly indicate a minimum thirty (30) day endeavor to notify requirement in the event of cancellation or non-renewal of coverage.

5. Forward original to and clearly indicate Certificate Holder and Additional Insured as follows:

Sumter County Board of County Commissioners Risk Management Department Attn: Lita Hart 7375 Powell Road Wildwood, FL 34785

PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

The following documents and forms in the following arrangement must accompany each Proposal or alternate Proposal submitted:

- Proposals Cover Page. This is to be used as the first page of the RFP. This form must be fully completed and signed by an authorized officer of the vendor.
- Proposer Certification / Addenda Acknowledgement Form.
- Proposals Form.
- Statement of Terms and Conditions.
- A sworn, notarized Statement of Reference and Similar Project Experience Form.
- A sworn, notarized Drug Free Work Place Certificate must accompany each Proposals or alternate Proposals.
- A separate sheet or sheets, clearly identified and numbered, of Exceptions or Deviations from the minimum specifications, must be attached to the Proposals Form (if applicable).
- A Certificate of Insurability, acceptable to the County, shall accompany each Proposals or alternate Proposals, in the amounts as prescribed by State and Sumter County BOCC.

EXAMINATION OF PROPOSALS DOCUMENTS

- Each vendor shall carefully examine the Scope of Work and other applicable documents, and
 inform himself/herself thoroughly regarding any and all conditions and requirements that may
 in any manner affect cost, progress or performance of the work to be performed under the
 Contract. Ignorance on the part of the CONTRACTOR will in no way relieve him/her of the
 obligations and responsibilities assumed under the Contract.
- Should a vendor find discrepancies or ambiguities in, or omissions from the Scope of Work, or should he/she be in doubt as to their meaning, he/she shall at once notify Sumter County BOCC in writing.

INTERPRETATIONS, CLARIFICATIONS AND ADDENDA

 No oral interpretations will be made to any vendor as to the meaning of the Proposals/Contract Documents. Any questions or request for interpretation received IN WRITING by Sumter County BOCC before 5:00 p.m., May 27, 2011, will be given consideration. All such changes or interpretations will be made in writing in the form of an addendum and, if issued, will be distributed at or after the Pre-Proposal Conference (if applicable), mailed or sent by available or electronic means to all attending prospective Submitters prior to the established Proposals opening date. Each Vendor shall acknowledge receipt of such addenda in the space provided on the Proposals Form.

- In case any Vendor fails to acknowledge receipt of such addenda or addendum, his/her Proposals will nevertheless be construed as though it had been received and acknowledged and the submission of his Proposals will constitute acknowledgment of the receipt of same. All addenda are a part of the Proposals Documents and each Vendor will be bound by such addenda, whether or not received by him/her. It is the responsibility of each Vendor to verify that he/she has received all addenda issued before Proposals are opened.
- In the case of unit price items, the quantities of work to be done and materials to be furnished under this Proposals/Contract are to be considered as approximate only and are to be used solely for the comparison of Proposals received. The Sumter County BOCC and/or CONSULTANTS do not expressly or by implication represent that the actual quantities involved will correspond exactly therewith; nor shall the Vendor plead misunderstanding or deception because of such estimate or quantities of work performed or material furnished in accordance with the Specifications and/or Drawings and other Proposals documents, and it is understood that the quantities may be increased or diminished as provided herein without in any way invalidating any of the unit or lump sum prices Proposals.

GOVERNING LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The vendor is required to be familiar with and shall be responsible for complying with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the work.

PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS

- Signature of the Vendor: The Vendor must sign the Proposals forms in the space provided for the signature. If the Vendor is an individual, the words "Doing Business As _______," must appear beneath such signature. In the case of a partnership, the signature of at least one of the partners must follow the firm name and the words, "Member of the Firm" should be written beneath such signature. If the Vendor is a corporation, the title of the officer signing the Proposals on behalf of the corporation must be stated and evidence of his authority to sign the Proposals must be submitted. The Vendor shall state in the Proposals Form the name and address of each person interested therein.
- Basis for Proposals: The price proposed for each item shall be on a lump sum or unit price basis according to the form of the Proposals. The Proposals prices shall remain unchanged for the duration of the Contract and no claims for cost escalation during the progress of the work will be considered.

FISCAL YEAR FUNDING APPROPRIATION

Unless otherwise provided by law, a contract for supplies or services may be entered into for any period of time deemed to be in the best interests of the Sumter County BOCC, provided the term of the contract and conditions of renewal or extension, if any, are included in the solicitation and funds are available for the fiscal period at the time of the contract. Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to appropriation by the Sumter County BOCC of funds thereafter.

When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be cancelled and the contractor shall be entitled to reimbursement for the reasonable value of any nonrecurring cost incurred but not advertised in the price of the supplied or services delivered under the contract or otherwise recoverable.

TAX EXEMPT STATUS

The Sumter County Board of County Commissioners is a governmental agency under Florida law and exempt from Florida sales tax. The tax exempt number will be provided upon request. This exemption does not apply to goods and services purchased separately by a Contractor in connection with its contract obligations. The Contractor shall be responsible for paying any taxes, fees, or similar payments that are required to be paid in connection with the contract work.

PROTECTION OF RESIDENT WORKERS

The Sumter County BOCC actively supports the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) which includes provisions addressing employment eligibility, employment verification, and nondiscrimination. Under the INA, employers may hire only persons who may legally work in the United States (i.e. citizens and nationals of the U.S.) and aliens authorized to work in the U.S. The employer must verify the identity and employment eligibility of anyone to be hired, which includes completing the Employment Eligibility Verification Form (I-9). The Contractor shall establish appropriate procedures and controls so no services or products under the Contract Documents will be performed or manufactured by any worker who is not legally eligible to perform such services or employment. The Contractor must be able to verify an employee's eligibility to work in the U.S. upon demand by the Sumter County BOCC throughout the duration of the contract.

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Sumter County Board of County Commissioners is a unit of local government and as such reserves the right to reject any and/or all Proposals, reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in the Proposals or examination process, reserves the right to select low Proposals per item, and reserves the right to award Proposals and/or contracts in the best interest of the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners.

RIGHT TO AUDIT RECORDS

The Sumter County Board of County Commissioners shall be entitled to audit the books and records of the Contractor or any sub-contractor to the extent that such books and records relate to the performance of the Agreement or any sub-contract to the Agreement. Such books and records shall be maintained by the Contractor for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under the Agreement and by the sub-contractor for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under the sub-contract unless a shorter period is otherwise authorized in writing.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES/PURCHASES BY OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES

The Vendor by submitting a Proposals/bid acknowledges that other public agencies may seek to "Piggy-Back" under the same terms and conditions during the effective period of any resulting contract services and/or purchases being offered in this Proposals/bid for the same prices and/or terms being proposed. Vendor has the option to agree or disagree to allow contract Piggy-Backs on a case-by-case basis. Before a public agency is allowed to Piggy-Back any contract, the agency must first obtain the vendor's approval. Without the vendor's approval, the seeking agency cannot Piggy-Back.

PART 2 EVALUATION AND AWARD

PROPOSALS EVALUATION

This Request for Proposals includes following all the procedures in this document and sending the sealed Proposals information to the Sumter County BOCC by the due date and time. Once Proposals are received, the Selection Committee members will independently review each submittal and score each Proposal based on the evaluation criteria. All Proposals received in accordance with this Request for Proposals will be evaluated using the following criteria.

4. Ocal annual call call at all	Score	Χ	Weight	=	Rating
Cost proposal and schedule of fees for services.			0.20		
2. Firm's qualifications, employees assigned to the County, staffing level and approach, accounting procedures, and financial stability.			0.25		
3. Demonstrated ability to perform the services as described within this RFP and experience providing similar service to local governments or court systems of the same size and scope.			<u>0.20</u>		
4. Firm's approach to the project and transition plan			<u>0.15</u>		
5. Rehabilitative services provided			0.10		
6. Use of Technology			<u>0.10</u>		
SCORE: 0 = Non-Responsive 1 = Poor 2 = Fair 3 = Average (Included only minimum of what was asked for on subject criteria) 4 = Good 5 = Excellent					

Do not attempt to contact any Selection Committee Member, staff member or person other than Mrs. Amanda Taylor for questions relating to this project. Anyone attempting to lobby Sumter County BOCC representatives may be disqualified.

The Selection Committee Members shall be: Bradley Arnold, County Administrator; The Honorable Thomas Skidmore, County Judge, and Deb Barsell, Community Services Division Director.

Recommendation of award will be provided on Demand Star once award is made at www.demandstar.com. The award will be based on the Proposal that is most advantageous to Sumter County. All Selection Committee recommendations are subject to Board approval.

The Selection Committee will meet to evaluate Proposals on June 17, 2011 @ 9:30am in Room 208 located within The Villages Sumter County Service Center, 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, FL 34785.

PROPOSALS AWARD

Submitters and vendors registered through www.demandstar.com will have access to award documents via the website. All others wishing to receive an official tabulation of the results of the opening of this Proposal are to submit a self-addressed, stamped business size (No. 10) envelope. Proposal results may also be requested by telephone, fax or electronic media.

PART 3 PROPOSALS SUBMITTAL

An original (1), an electronic version not password protected and with the forms sent in their original format (1) and four (4) copies for a total of five (6), of each Proposals or alternate Proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, prominently marked on the outside with the words, "RFP # 010-0-2011/AT Misdemeanor Probation Services" with the firm name and return address. Proposals submitted in express, overnight or courier envelopes, boxes or packages must be prominently marked on the outside with the words, "RFP # 010-0-2011/AT Misdemeanor Probation Services" and the contents sealed as required.

- Deadline for Submissions in response to this Request for Proposals: Proposals must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. on June 13, 2011. Proposals submitted by FAX or other electronic media will not be accepted under any circumstances. Late Proposals will not be accepted, and will be returned, unopened, to the proposer, at the proposer's expense.
- Any person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime, may not submit a Proposals on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a Proposals on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of any public building or public work, may not submit Proposals on leases of real property to a public entity crime, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000.00) for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list, pursuant to paragraph 2a of Section 287.133, Florida Statutes.
- The Sumter County Board of County Commissioner as a unit of local government reserves
 the right to reject any and/or all Proposals, reserves the right to waive any informalities or
 irregularities in the Proposals or evaluation process, and reserves the right to award
 contract(s) in the best interest of the Sumter County BOCC.

PAGE SPECIFICATIONS

- Page Limit None.
- Page Size 8 ½ x 11; oversized or pullout pages must be folded to accommodate this size.
- Binding Shall be neat, professional and appropriate for the document's thickness.
- Professional Cover Page Not required but acceptable. If used, the cover page shall
 indicate the name and number of the solicitation. It shall NOT be used as a replacement for
 the Proposals Cover Page listed herein.
- Original Document Shall have original signatures and be clearly noted <u>ORIGINAL</u> on the cover.

PART 4 PROPOSALS DOCUMENTS

PROPOSALS COVER PAGE

Name of Firm, Entity or Organization:
Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN):
State of Florida License Number (If Applicable):
Name of Contact Person:
Title:
E-Mail Address:
Mailing Address:
Street Address (if different):
City, State, Zip:
Telephone: Fax:
Organizational Structure – Please Check One:
Corporation Partnership Proprietorship Joint Venture Other
If Corporation:
Date of Incorporation: State of Incorporation:
States Registered in as Foreign Corporation:
Authorized Signature:
Print Name:
Signature:
Title:
Phone:
This document must be completed and returned with your Submittal.

PROPOSER'S CERTIFICATION

SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 7375 Powell Road Wildwood, Florida, 34785 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) CERTIFICATION Phone 352-689-4400 Fax 352-689-4401 AND ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGMENT **DUE DATE: June 13, 2011** DUE TIME: 2:00 p.m. RFP # 010-0-2011/AT TITLE: MISDEMEANOR PROBATION SERVICES VENDOR NAME: PHONE NUMBER: **VENDOR MAILING ADDRESS:** FAX NUMBER: CITY/STATE/ZIP: E-MAIL ADDRESS: "I, the undersigned, certify that I have reviewed the addenda listed below (list all addenda received to date). I understand that timely commencement will be considered in award of this RFP and that cancellation of award will be considered if commencement time is not met, and that untimely commencement may be cause for termination of contract. I further certify that the services will meet or exceed the RFP requirements. I, the undersigned, declare that I have carefully examined the RFP, specifications, terms and conditions as applicable for this Request, and that I am thoroughly familiar with all provisions and the quality and type of coverage and services specified. I further declare that I have not divulged, discussed, or compared this RFP with any other Offeror and have not colluded with any Offerors or parties to an RFP whatsoever for any fraudulent purpose." Addendum # Addendum # Addendum # Addendum # Addendum # "I certify that this quote is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting an RFP for the same material, supplies, equipment or services and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of this RFP and certify that I am authorized to sign this response and that the offer is in compliance with all requirements of the RFP, including but not limited to certification requirements. In conducting offers with an agency for Sumter County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), respondent agrees that if this Proposals is accepted, the respondent will

This form must be completed and returned with your Submittal

convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the Sumter County BOCC all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the anti-trust laws of the United States for price fixing relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the COUNTY. At the Sumter County BOCC discretion, such assignment shall be made and become

Authorized Signature

effective at the time the purchasing agency renders final payment to the respondent."

Authorized Agent Name, Title (Print)

Submit To: Sumter County Board of County Commissioners

Date

PROPOSALS FORM FOR BOARD OF SUMTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Name of Firm Submitting Qualifications
Name of Person Submitting Qualifications
PROPOSER ACKNOWLEDGMENT "The undersigned hereby declares that he/she has informed himself/herself fully in regard to all conditions to the work to be done, and that he/she has examined the RFP and Specifications for the work and comments hereto attached. The Vendor proposes and agrees, if this submission is accepted, to contract with the Board of Sumter County Commissioners, to furnish all necessary materials, equipment, labor and services necessary to complete the work covered by the RFP and Contract Documents for this Project. The Vendor agrees to accept in full compensation for each item the prices named in the schedules incorporated herein."
CONSULTANT'S FEE SCHEDULE MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS PROPOSAL
Signature
Date
[] Check if exception(s) or deviation(s) to Specifications. Attach separate sheet(s) detailing reason and type for the exception or deviation.
This document must be completed and returned with your Submittal

Financial Services Department

STATEMENT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME: A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a Proposals/Bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit Proposals/Bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not

contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

INDEMNIFICATION: The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Board of Sumter County Commissioners, and their elected officials, employees and volunteers from and against all claims, losses and expenses, including legal costs, arising out of or resulting from, the performance of this contract, provided that any such claims, damage, loss of expenses is attributed to bodily injury, sickness, disease, personal injury or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property including the loss or loss of use resulting there from and is caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the tenant.

PROHIBITION OF LOBBYING: During the black out period which is, the period between the time the submittals for Invitation to Bid or the Request for Proposals, or Qualifications, or information, as applicable, are received at Contracts / Purchasing and the time the Board awards the contract, no proposer, no lobbyist.

submittals for Invitation to Bid or the Request for Proposals, or Qualifications, or information, as applicable, are received at Contracts / Purchasing and the time the Board awards the contract, no proposer, no lobbyist, principal, or other person may lobby, on behalf of a competing party in a particular procurement matter, any member of the Board, or any Board employee other than the Financial Services Manager. Violation of this provision may result in disqualification of violating party. All questions regarding this Request for Proposals (RFP) or Invitation to Bid (BID) must be submitted in writing to the Board's Financial Services Manager.

ANTI TRUST LAWS: By submission of a signed RFP or BID, the successful Vendor acknowledges compliance with all antitrust laws of the United States and the State of Florida, in order to protect the public from restraint of trade, which illerally increases prices.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST: The award of the contract hereunder is subject to the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes. Vendors shall disclose the name of any Officer, Director, Partner, Associate, or Agent who is also an Officer, Appointee, or Employee of any of the Boards at the time of the RFP or BID, or at the time of occurrence of the Conflict of Interest thereafter.

INTERPRETATION, CLARIFICATIONS AND ADDENDA: No oral interpretations will be made to any

vendor as to the meaning of the RFP/BID Contract Documents. Any inquiry or request for interpretation received by the Financial Services Manager before the date listed herein will be given consideration. All such changes or interpretations will be made in writing in the form of an addendum and, if issued, will be distributed at or after the Pre-Proposals/Pre-Bid Conference, mailed or sent by available or electronic means to all attending prospective Submitters prior to the established RFP/BID opening date. Each Vendor shall acknowledge receipt of such addenda in the space provided. In case any Proposer/Bidder fails to acknowledge receipt of such addenda or addendum, his offer will nevertheless be construed as though it had been received and acknowledged and the submission of his bid will constitute acknowledgment of the receipt of same. All addenda are a part of the RFP/BID FORMS and each Proposer/Bidder will be bound by such addenda, whether or not received by him. It is the responsibility of each proposer/bidder to verify that he has received all addenda issued before RFP/BID's or opened. In the case of this price items, the quantities of work to be done and materials to be furnished under this RFP/BID Contract are to be quantities of work to be other and materials to be full instead until this R-PFBID Contract are to be considered as approximate only and are to be used solely for the comparison of RFP/SBID's received. The Board and/or his CONSULTANT do not expressly or by implication represent that the actual quantities involved will correspond exactly therewith, nor shall the Vendor plead misunderstanding of deception because of such estimate or quantities of work performed or material furnished in accordance with the Specifications and/or Drawings and other Proposals/Bid Documents, and it is understood that the quantities may be increased or diminished as provided herein without in any way invalidating any of the unit or lump

GOVERNING LAWS AND REGULATIONS: The vendor is required to be familiar with and shall be responsible for complying with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the work.

PROPRIETARY/CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION: Vendors are herby notified that all information

submitted as part of, or in support of RFP's/BID's, will be available for public inspection ten days after opening of the RFP's/BID's or until a short list is recommended whichever comes first, in compliance with Chapter 119, and 287 of the Florida Statutes. Any person wishing to view the RFP's/BID's must make an appointment by calling the Financial Services Manager at (352) 793-0200. All RFP's/BID's submitted in

appointment by calling the Financial Services Manager at (352) /33-0200. All RFP/SIBID's submitted in response to this solicitation become the property of the Board. Unless information submitted is proprietary, copy written, trademarked, or patented, the Board reserves the right to utilize any or all information, ideas, conceptions, or portions of any RFP/BID, in its best interest.

TAXES: The Board of Sumter County Commissioners is exempt from any taxes imposed by the State and/or Federal Government. Exemption certificates will be provided upon request.

NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION: By signing this RFP/BID, all Vendors shall affirm that they shall not collude, conspire, connive or agree, directly or indirectly, with any other Proposer, firm, or person to submit a collusive or sham Proposals in connection with the work for which their RFP/BID has been submitted; or to refrain from Bidding in connection with such work; or have in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by person to fix the price or prices in the RFP/BID or of any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost elements of the RFP/BID price or the RFP/BID price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against any other Bidder, or any person interested in the proposed work.

PROPOSER RESPONSIBILITY: Invitation by the Boards to vendors is based on the recipient's specific request and application to DemandStar by Onvia at www.DemandStar.com [(800) 711-1712] or as the result of response by the public to the legal advertisements required by State law. Firms or individuals submit their

or responses on a voluntary basis, and therefore are not entitled to compensation of any kind.

OWNERSHIP OF SUBMITTALS: All responses, inquiries or correspondence relating to or in reference to this RFP/BID, and all other reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits and other documentation submitted by the vendors will become the property of the Board. Reference to literature submitted with a previous RFP/BID will not relieve the Bidder from including any required documents with this RFP/BID.

EXAMINATION OF BID DOCUMENTS: Each Bidder shall carefully examine the RFP/BID Document to ensure all pages have been received, all drawings and/or Specifications and other applicable documents are ensure all pages have been received, an arrange among opening any and all conditions and requirements that may in any manner affect cost, progress or performance of the work to be performed under the Contract. Ignorance on the part of the CONTRACTOR will in no way relieve him of the obligations and responsibilities assumed

VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY: Vendors are fully and completely responsible for the labeling, identification

and delivery of their submittals. The Financial Services Manager will not be responsible for any mislabeled or misdirected submissions, nor those handled by delivery persons, couriers, or the US Postal Service. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE: All Proposers/Bidders shall submit the enclosed, duly signed and notarized form entitled "Drug Free Workplace Certificate". The Drug Free Workplace Vendor shall have the burden of demonstrating that his program complies with Section 287.087 of the Florida Statutes, and any other applicable state law.

BOARD OF SUMTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, are political subdivisions of the State of Florida, and reserve the right to reject any and/or all submittals, reserve the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in the examination process, and reserve the right to award contracts and/or in the best interest of the Boards. Submittals not meeting stated minimum terms and qualifications may be rejected by the Boards as non-responsive. The Boards reserve the right to reject any or all submittals without cause. The Boards reserves the right to reject the submission of any Vendor in arrears or in default upon any debt or contract to the Boards, or who has failed to perform faithfully any previous contract with the Boards or with other governmental

PUBLIC RECORDS LAW: Correspondence, materials and documents received pursuant to this RFP/BID become public records subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

VERIFICATION OF TIME: Nextel time is hereby established as the Official Time of the Boards.

PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS/BIDS:
Signature of the Bidder: The Bidder must sign the RFP/BID FORMS in the space provided for the signature. Signature of the Bidder. The Bidder must sign the KEYBID FORMS in the space provided for the signature. If the Proposer/Bidder is an individual, the words "doing business as ______ "must appear beneath such signature. In the case of a partnership, the signature of at least one of the partners must follow the firm name and the words, "Member of the Firm" should be written beneath such signature. If the Proposer/Bidder is a corporation, the title of the officer signing the REP/BID on behalf of the corporation must be stated and evidence of his authority to sign the REP/BID must be submitted. The Proposer/Bidder shall state in the REP/BID FORMS the name and address of each person interested therein.

Basis for Bidding: The price proposed for each item shall be on a lump sum or unit price basis according to

specifications on the RFP/BID FORM. The proposed prices shall remain unchanged for the duration of the Contract and no claims for cost escalation during the progress of the work will be considered, unless otherwise provided herein.

Total Proposed Price/Total Contract Sum Proposed: If applicable, the total price bid for the work shall be the aggregate of the lump sum prices proposed and/or unit prices multiplied by the appropriate estimated quantities for the individual items and shall be stated in figures in the appropriate place on REP/BID FORM. In the event that there is a discrepancy on the RFP/BID FORM due to unit price extensions or additions, the

corrected extensions and additions shall be used to determine the project bid amount. **TABULATION:** Those wishing to receive an official tabulation of the results of the opening of this RFP/BID are to submit a self-addressed, stamped business size (No. 10) envelope, prominently marked on the front lower left side, with the RFP identification. Tabulation requested by telephone, fax or electronic media will not be

OBLIGATION OF WINNING BIDDER: The contents of the RFP/BID of the successful proposer/bidder will become contractual obligations if acquisition action ensues. Failure of the successful Proposer/Bidder to accept these obligations in a contract may result in cancellation of the award and such vendor may be removed from future participation.

AWARD OF BID: It is the Boards' intent to select a vendor within sixty (60) calendar days of the deadline for receipt of Proposals/Bids. However, Proposals/Bids must be firm and valid for award for at least ninety (90)

calendar days after the deadline for receipt of the RFP/BID.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: The firms shall furnish such additional information as the Boards may reasonably require. This includes information which indicates financial resources as well as ability to provide the services. The Boards reserve the right to make investigations of the qualifications of the firm as it deems

PREPARATION COSTS: The Boards shall not be obligated or be liable for any costs incurred by Proposers/Bidders prior to issuance of a contract. All costs to prepare and submit a response to this RFP/BID shall be borne by the Proposer/Bidder.

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TIMELINESS: All work will commence upon authorization from the Boards' representative (Financial Services Manager). All work will proceed in a timely manner without delays. The Contractor shall commence the work UPON RECEIPT OF NOTICE TO PROCEED and/or ORDER PLACED (PURCHASE ORDER PRESENTED), and shall deliver in accordance to the terms and conditions outlined and agreed upon herein.

DELIVERY: All prices shall be FOB Destination, Sumter County, Florida, inside delivery unless otherwise

ADDITIONAL SERVICES/PURCHASES BY OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES ("PIGGY-BACK"):

The Vendor by submitting a Bid acknowledges that other Public Agencies may seek to "Piggy-Back" under the same terms and conditions, during the effective period of any resulting contract – services and/or purchases being offered in this Bid, for the same prices and/or terms proposed. Vendor has the option to agree or disagree to allow contract Piggy-Backs on a case-by-case basis. Before a Public Agency is allowed to Piggy-

Back any contract, the Agency must first obtain the vendor's approval – without the vendor's approval, the seeking Agency cannot Piggy-Back.

PLANS, FORMS & SPECIFICATIONS: Bid Packages are available from the Financial Services Manager. These packages are available for pickup or by mail. If requested to mail, the Proposer/Bidder must supply a courier account number (UPS, FedEx, etc). Proposers/Bidders are required to use the official RFF/BID FORMS, and all attachments itemized herein, are to be submitted as a single document. Any variation from the FORMS, and an advantients reinflaged inertin, are to be submitted as a single document. Any variation from the minimum specifications must be clearly stated on the RFP/BID FORM and/or Exceptions/Deviations Sheet(s). Only one set of plans, forms, and specifications will be furnished each company or corporation interested in submitting a Proposals/bid. RFP/BID FORM documents for this project are free of charge and are available on-line and are downloadable (vendor must pay any DemandStar fees or any shipping).

MANUFACTURER'S NAME AND APPROVED EQUIVALENTS: Any manufacturer's names, trade names,

brand names, information and/or catalog numbers listed in a specification are for information and not intended to limit competition unless otherwise indicated. The Proposer/Bidder may offer any brand for which he is an authorized representative, which meets or exceeds the RFP/BID specification for any item(s). If RFP's/BID's are based on equivalent products, indicate on the RFP/BID FORM the manufacturer's product name and literature, and/or complete specifications. Reference to literature submitted with a previous RFP/BID will not interative, another complete specifications. Reterentee to interative southintee with a previous RFP/BID will not statisfy this provision. The Proposed equivalent will meet the specifications and not be considered an exception thereto. RFP's/BID's which do not comply with these requirements are subject to rejection. RFP's/BID's lacking any written indication of intent to quote an alternate brand will be received and considered in complete compliance with the specifications as listed on the RFP/BID FORM. The Financial Services Manager is to be notified, in writing, of any proposed changes in materials used, manufacturing process, or construction. However, changes shall not be binding upon the Boards unless evidenced by a Change Notice issued and signed by the Financial Services Manager, or

designated representative.

QUANTITIES: The quantities as specified in this RFP/BID are estimates only and are not to be construed as guaranteed minimums.

SAMPLES: Samples of items, when called for, shall be furnished free of expense, and if not destroyed may, upon request, be returned at the Proposer's/Bidder's expense. Each sample shall be labeled with the Proposer's/Bidder's name, manufacturer brand name and number, RFP/BID number and item reference. Samples of successful Proposer's/Bidder's items may remain on file for the term of the contract. Request for return of samples shall be accompanied by instructions which include shipping authorization and must be received at time of opening. Samples not returned may be disposed of by the Boards within a reasonable time as deemed appropriate.

DOCUMENT RE-CREATION: Vendor may choose to re-create any document(s) required for this solicitation,

but must do so at his own risk. All required information in the original Board format must be included in any re-created document. Submittals may be deemed non-responsive if required information is not included in any recreated document ACKNOWLEDGED:

(Signature	and	Date)

This document must be completed and returned with your Submittal REFERENCE & SIMILAR PROJECTS EXPERIENCE FORM

Owner / Business Name:			
Project Location / Address:			
City:	State:		Zip Code:
Point of Contact:	1	Dates of Work:	
Phone Number:		Fax Number:	
E-mail Address:			
Project Name:			
Brief Description of Project:			
Owner / Business Name:			
Project Location / Address:			
City:	State:		Zip Code:
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Project Name:			
Brief Description of Project:			

This document must be completed and returned with your Submittal

State of Florida County of	
a true and accurate statement of the position of said organi- foregoing experience questionnaire are correct and true as inclusion of false, deceptive, or fraudulent statements of this	who is (title) being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing statements are ization as of the date thereof, and, that the statements and answers to the of the date of this affidavit; and, that he/she understands that intentional s application constitutes fraud; and, agrees to furnish any pertinent information escioner deemed necessary to verify the statements made in this application or applicant.
Personally Known or Produced Identification	
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of	, 20
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF FLORIDA (Signature of Notary Public)	(Print Name of Notary Public)
(seal)	

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CONTRACTOR'S AFFIDAVIT

DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087, hereby certify that,

(print or type name of firm)

- Publishes a written statement notifying that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace named above, and specifying actions that will be taken against violations of such prohibition.
- Informs employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the work place, the firm's policy of maintaining a drug free working environment, and available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that my be imposed upon employees for drug use violations.
- Gives each employee engaged in providing commodities or contractual services that are under Proposals or bid, a copy of the statement specified above.
- Notifies the employees that as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that
 are under Proposals or bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the
 employer of any conviction of, please or guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 1893, or
 of any controlled substance law of the State of Florida or the United States, for a violation occurring in
 the work place, no later than five (5) days after such conviction, and requires employees to sign copies
 of such written (*) statement to acknowledge their receipt.
- Imposes a sanction on, or requires the satisfactory participation in, a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
- Makes a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free work place through the implementation of the drug free workplace program.
- "As a person authorized to sign this statement, I certify that the above named business, firm or corporation complies fully with the requirements set forth herein".

	Authorized Signature
	Date Signed
State of:	
County of:	
Sworn to and subscribed before me thisday	of, 20
Personally known or Produced Identification	(Specify Type of Identification)
Signature of Notary	
My Commission Expires	
(seal)	

This document must be completed and returned with your Submittal

STATEMENT OF "NO PROPOSALS" RFP # 010-0-2011/AT

If you do not intend to submit a Proposal for this project, please complete and return this form <u>prior to date shown for receipt of Proposals to:</u> Sumter County BOCC, 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood, Florida 34785. Attn: Mrs. Amanda Taylor.

We, the undersigned, have declined to submit a Proposal for your RFP # 010-0-2011/AT MISDEMEANOR PROBATION SERVICES for the following reasons:

	Specifications are too "tight", i.e. geared toward one brand or manufacturer only (please explain reason below)
	Insufficient time to respond to Request for Proposals.
	We do not offer this product/s or equivalent.
	Remove us from your vendor's list for this commodity or service.
	Our product schedule would not permit us to perform to specifications.
	Unable to meet specifications.
	Unable to meet insurance requirements.
	Specifications unclear (please explain below).
	Competition restricted by pre-approved owner standards.
	Other (please specify below or attach a separate sheet).
Remarks:	
	tand that if this "No Proposals" letter is not executed and returned, our name may be the list of qualified proposers for the owner for future projects or commodities."
Company Na	ame:
Address:	
Signature ar	nd Title:
Telephone N	Number Date

PART 5 SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Sumter County Board of County Commissioners is requesting proposals from qualified firms for the RFP # 010-0-2011/AT SUMTER COUNTY MISDEMEANOR PROBATION SERVICES.

Background

Sumter County is located in the heart of Florida, serving the Fifth Judicial Circuit, encompassing 574 square miles, including 19 square miles of inland water. Geographically located in the center of the state, it is referred to as the "Crossroads of Central Florida." Interstate 75, US Highway 301, State Road 44, and the Florida Turnpike connect Sumter County with major metropolitan areas throughout the state. The current population is approximately 97,385.

Sumter County has one County Court Judge. Misdemeanor Probation staff attends court once per week and averages three violation of probation hearings each month.

During the past 2 months, Sumter County Misdemeanor Probation carried an average of 153 cases. For the same period, the department averaged 19 new cases per month of which 40 percent were Pretrial Services. The staff averaged 224 office contacts and 402 telephone contacts per month. The cost for supervision is now \$50 per month per probationer. Last year (10/09-9/10), \$96,881 in revenue was collected by the misdemeanor probation department.

The goal of this RFP is to provide misdemeanor probation services to our customers, Monday-Friday and some Saturdays (as needed), while maintaining or improving current quantity and quality of customer services at no cost to Sumter County.

Interested firms may respond to this RFP by following the guidance outlined herein. A thorough discussion of all areas listed (A-P) is required as well as responding to Qualifications/Certifications (1-6). The initial contract period will be 3 years with two 1-year optional extensions. A general description of the scope of services required is, but not limited to, the following:

A. Staffing

The Contractor shall maintain adequate staffing levels to provide proper liaison with the Court, to perform the initial intake of persons placed on misdemeanor probation and Pretrial Services, to properly supervise persons placed on misdemeanor probation and Pretrial Services, and to appear at all Court hearings involving an offender supervised by the Contractor or necessitated by the Court for Pretrial Services.

B. Programs & Services

The needs of each offender referred to the Contractor by the Court shall be evaluated by the Contractor. The following programs and services shall be provided and administered by the Contractor:

Pretrial / Pretrial Intervention Services

- The Pretrial Intervention program defers prosecution of qualified, first-time offenders. Its purpose is to reduce recidivism of offenders within the criminal justice system.
- Entry in the Pretrial Intervention program is approved and authorized by assessment and determination of the State Attorney. Offender's compliance/non-compliance is reported to the State Attorney.
- Offenders entering the program are supervised to ensure completion of their personalized contractual agreement, which includes (at a minimum) a custom tailored treatment plan, law-abiding behavior, and payment of restitution.
- Drug Testing Laboratory Services as directed/ordered by the Court, to provide a random urinalysis and breathalyzer testing to detect the presence of controlled substances or alcohol in a person's biological system. Offender's compliance/non-compliance is reported to the Court or requesting party.
- The Contractor shall observe and comply with all Administrative Orders of the Judicial Circuit applicable in and for Sumter County to the Pretrial Programs and Services provided hereunder.
- The Contractor shall be equipped to be able to provide pretrial electronic or GPS monitoring of individuals if required by the Court as a condition of bond or pre-trial release. The Contractor shall be authorized to charge a reasonable fee to individuals for electronic or GPS monitoring services.

Misdemeanor Probation Services

- Misdemeanor Probation program operates in accordance with Florida Statute 948, providing supervision to offenders sentenced to misdemeanor probation by the courts. Offenders court-ordered to misdemeanor probation must adhere to the conditions as imposed by the Court, such as classes, counseling, community service, educational programs, statutorily required fees and other costs as imposed by the Court.
- Community Service Hours. Selected adjudicated offenders are sentenced within the criminal justice system to do Community Service Hours as an alternative to more costly legal sanctions. This Court ordered work is normally ordered in lieu of incarceration and fines. Governmental and local non-profit agencies throughout the County provide worksites for these offenders.
- Drug Testing Laboratory/Services, as directed by the Courts, provides a
 random drug testing system and provides urinalysis and breathalyzer testing
 to detect the presence of controlled substances or alcohol in a person's
 biological system. Offender's compliance/noncompliance is reported to the
 Court or requesting party.

- Transfer of probationer in and out of Sumter County. Some adjudicated
 offenders will either live outside of Sumter County or move during the course
 probation. Face-to-face supervision must be facilitated through the use of
 transfers in and out of the County.
- The Contractor shall be equipped to be able to provide electronic or GPS
 monitoring of offenders if required by the Court as a condition of probation.
 The Contractor shall be authorized to charge a reasonable fee to offenders for
 electronic or GPS monitoring services.

The Contractor shall determine if said offender could benefit from other services in addition to those ordered by the Court and shall use its best efforts to refer the offender to an appropriate program. Records of referrals to such programs and progress reports shall be included in the case files.

The Contractor shall cooperate with all treatment agencies, schools, and other programs to which offenders are referred. In any case where a treatment provider, school, or other program does not appear to be providing its proper function, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Court.

The Contractor shall observe and comply with all Administrative Orders of the 5th Judicial Circuit in and for Sumter County Misdemeanor Probation Services provided herein.

The Contractor shall provide monthly and annual reports and other statistical reports as required by the BOCC or law to the County Contract Manager. Any new programs proposed by the Contractor to be utilized by the people placed on probation or Pretrial Services in Sumter County shall be disclosed to the County prior to implementation and shall be subject to the review and approval of the County Contract Manager.

The Contractor shall provide the County Contract Manager and the Chief Judge's office, with a quarterly report summarizing the number of offenders supervised by the Contractor, payment of the required contribution under supervision or rehabilitation, and the number of offenders for whom supervision or rehabilitation will be terminated. All records must be open to inspection upon request by the County, the Court, the Auditor General, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, or agents thereof.

C. Records

The Contractor shall maintain a separate file containing specific information on each offender referred to its programs. Current software and use of technology in recordkeeping must be described by the Contractor. Forms and letters utilized to inform the Court must be included in management information system for ease of production. A thorough discussion of recordkeeping procedures shall be submitted by the bidder regarding data maintenance and security. Records shall be maintained by the Contractor in a secure area for a period of five (5) years from expiration of the pretrial or probationary term. The information in the file shall include the name of the offender, case number, charge(s), case disposition, correspondence, payment records, any known prior criminal record, court ordered conditions, status reports resulting from offender contact, offender's profile information, drug testing records and, electronic monitoring (if applicable).

All records must be maintained in compliance with applicable Florida Statutes, including but not limited to, Chapter 119 and Chapter 948, and with Florida Administrative Code provisions with

respect to maintaining public records and retaining and destruction of public records, including electronic records and social media (Blackberries, texting, Twitter, etc.).

D. Offices

The Contractor shall maintain at least one office within Sumter County. The facility must be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Contractor shall operate to receive offenders Monday- Friday (excluding holidays) with some Saturday hours as needed. The Contractor shall notify the offenders of its hours of operation.

E. Job Assistance

The Contractor shall encourage unemployed offenders to improve their employability through schools and training. The Contractor shall refer all offenders to services/programs with the goal of securing suitable and stable employment. The Contractor shall keep the County informed regarding the resources to which offenders are referred providing a list of resources by name with approximate numbers of referrals to each resource.

F. Special Conditions

The Contractor shall follow up and enforce special conditions of probation and Pretrial Services, including, but not limited to:

- Restitution
- > Fines and Court costs
- Evaluation and treatment programs
- Community services
- Cost of supervision fees, program fees or fees for service
- Procurement of licenses
- Court ordered classes and/or court ordered obligations (i.e., impoundment, drug testing)

The Contractor shall place priority on payment of restitution. Waivers by the Court of any special condition of probation or pretrial service shall be noted in the case file.

G. Limited English Proficiency

The Contractor shall have a plan for communicating with offenders with limited English proficiency to ensure understanding and meeting the terms of their court ordered requirements.

H. Supervision

1. Initial Intake -The Contractor shall require an initial face-to-face contact with all offenders for supervision. The Contractor shall clearly explain all of the court ordered terms to the offender in a manner that is understandable. The Contractor shall ensure that substance abuse evaluations of offenders ordered by the Court or under agreement by State Attorney are conducted in a timely manner. In cases where the offender is ordered not to have contact with a victim who shares the same residence, or when otherwise ordered by the Court or is under agreement with the State Attorney, the Contractor shall verify the offender's home address.

2. Probation and Pretrial Intervention Supervision - In addition to the initial intake noted above, offenders will be required to report to the Contractor's office at minimum one (1) time per month during their probation supervision term unless otherwise ordered by the Court. In the circumstance of Pretrial Intervention, the State Attorney's Office may alter the frequency of the visits in individual cases.

I. Change in Orders

Proposed orders of violations, modifications, and early terminations shall be prepared by the Contractor and shall conform to a format adopted by the Court.

J. Community Service Hours

The Contractor shall utilize governmental and nonprofit agencies when scheduling offenders to perform community service hours ordered by the Court. The Contractor is responsible for facilitating the community service hours of all offenders as ordered by the Court. The Contractor shall only utilize governmental and nonprofit agencies in which there is a written agreement regulating the supervision of offenders performing community service hours. The Contractor shall verify and report compliance and noncompliance of court ordered or agreed upon community service hours to the Clerk of Court, Court, or State Attorney. The Contractor shall be responsible to ensure offenders have or acquire special risk accident insurance which pays for necessary coverage while offenders perform their community service work. The Contractor is not permitted to utilize the services of probationers to perform community service work to the benefit of the Contractor.

K. Violations of Probation

When violations of any terms/conditions is alleged to have occurred, the Contractor shall advise the sentencing Court of the alleged violation(s) by sworn affidavit as it becomes known to the Contractor. If the affidavit recommends revocation, the affidavit must include the circumstances under which revocation is being recommended. In any case where the sentencing Court's jurisdiction has been lost prior to all conditions of probation being satisfied by the probationer, the Contractor shall transmit a letter on Contractor's letterhead to the Sentencing Judge, with a copy to the County Contract Monitor, outlining in detail the efforts made by the Contractor to seek compliance with the terms/conditions of probation.

L. Employees and Subcontractors

Prior to the time the contract is executed, the Contractor shall submit to the County a list of the names of all employees, including those of any subcontractors or independent contractors to be used by the Contractor, if any. The list shall include job titles of all employees. The Contractor shall submit an updated list not less than once per year. The Contractor shall submit any proposed changes in subcontractors for prior approval by the County.

M. Contractor's Financial Records

In addition to maintaining the individual case files,

- 1. The Contractor shall maintain financial records, capable of being audited, of all fines, restitution, and supervision fees received, expended, and disbursed by the Contractor. An annual financial report, audited and certified by a licensed, independent Certified Public Accountant, shall be provided to the County within 120 days following the close of the Contractor's fiscal year. The certified financial report shall be in such detail as to disclose the revenues, expenses, and disbursements relating to the services provided.
- 2. The Contractor shall also record and maintain statistical data concerning the number and types of cases being handled, terminated, and completed; the number of visits; the hours of community service performed by offenders; the number of face-to-face contacts, and such additional information as may be required by the County to assist in evaluating the effectiveness of the Contractor's activities. A quarterly report shall be submitted to the County and to the Chief Judge pursuant to Sec. 948.15(3), Florida Statutes.
- 3. The Contractor shall provide to the County, a copy of the Contractor's fiscal budget each year within 30 (thirty) days of the beginning of its fiscal year.

N. Applicable Provisions of Law

The Contractor acknowledges the requirement, insofar as it may be deemed to be acting on behalf of either the County or Court, to comply, when applicable, with Florida public records and open meeting laws, and all other applicable provisions of Federal, State and local law.

O. Schedule of Fees for Service

The Contractor shall provide a fee schedule for users of services provided by the Contractor. The Contractor shall detail a strategy for providing services to indigent offenders at reduced or no cost through internal and/or external resources. The Contractor shall have procedures for handling the collection of offender fees and restitution.

P. Transition Plan

The Contractor shall prepare and implement a transition plan outlining objectives, action steps, responsible staff and target dates for completion. The transition plan must reflect full operational status effective October 1, 2011.

QUALIFICATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS

- 1. The Contractor represents that it has secured, or will secure at its own expense, all necessary personnel required to perform the services under the Contract.
- 2. The Contractor will maintain a minimum staffing level to ensure effective supervision of probationers, pursuant to Section 948.15(3)(c), Florida Statutes. To the extent possible, the Contractor shall assign each offender to an officer who shall maintain and be responsible for the case throughout its term.
- 3. All of the services required herein shall be performed by the Contractor or under its supervision, and all personnel engaged in performing the services shall be fully qualified and, if required, authorized or permitted under state and local law to perform such services.

- 4. All officers or supervisors hired for this contract must possess an Associates Degree with 4 years of relevant experience in social work, community corrections, probation, pretrial, or law enforcement; or a Bachelors Degree with 1 year of relevant experience; or a Maters Degree a relevant field. A background check, including FCIC/NCIC check, and verification of relevant employment and claimed education shall be conducted on all newly hired officers and supervisors to determine that the person is of good character and has no felony or other conviction involving dishonesty or deceit. Pursuant to Sec. 948.15(3)(b), Florida Statutes, staff qualifications and criminal record checks of staff shall comply with standards established by the American Correctional Association. The results of the background check shall be kept on file and available for examination by the County.
- 5. Each employee, officer, supervisor, and director, shall provide a signed affidavit, executed under oath, constituting an official statement within the purview of Sec. 837.06, Florida Statutes, that the information provided by the person for his or her application and/or background check is true and accurate, that there are no material omissions therein, and that the intentional false execution of the affidavit constitutes a misdemeanor of the second degree. These affidavits shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to the County upon request.
- 6. Contractor must have procedures for obtaining Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) criminal history checks and arrest affidavits as needed.

SAMPLE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

(Sample agreement only. County reserves the right to alter this agreement based on final RFP results and/or any negotiations with proposed Consultant.)

THIS CONTRACT (hereinafter "Agreement") is entered into by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (hereinafter the "County"), and, a business having its primary business location at (hereinafter the "Contractor"), for the purpose of providing County with misdemeanor probation and pretrial services, and in furtherance of same, the County and the Contractor (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties") acknowledge and agree to the following:
WHEREAS , the County is desirous of obtaining the services of a private entity to provide pretrial services and misdemeanor probation services for individuals under the jurisdiction of the County Court of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Sumter County; and,
WHEREAS , the County has competitively solicited for pretrial services and misdemeanor probation services pursuant to RFP # 010-0-2011/AT; and,
WHEREAS , the provision of such services shall mutually benefit the Parties hereto as well as the residents of Sumter County, Florida,
NOW THEREFORE , in consideration of the covenants herein contained, it is mutually agreed by and between the Parties as follows:
1. SCOPE OF THE WORK: The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, permits, equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, supervision, transportation and any and all other items or services of any type whatsoever, which are necessary to fully perform and complete all work or services specified in "Exhibit A", attached hereto and incorporated herein, <i>in haec verba</i> , and hereinafter referred to as the "work" or "services".
2. TERM: The initial term of this Agreement shall begin on and continue through, unless otherwise terminated by the Parties. Thereafter, the County shall have the option to extend this Agreement by entering into up to a maximum of two (2) individual one-year renewal periods. If the County chooses to extend this contract after the initial term or the first renewal period, it shall send written notice of its intent to extend the Agreement to the Contractor no later than sixty (60) prior to the expiration of the initial term or any subsequent term.
3. COMPENSATION: Services performed in accordance with this Agreement shall be provided at no cost to the County. The Contractor shall derive compensation for services solely from the probationers receiving its services. The fee schedule for Contractor's services is attached hereto, and incorporated herein, <i>in haec verba</i> , as "Exhibit B". All fees for services shall remain firm with no increases for the term of the Agreement.
4. COLLECTION OF FEES: The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it will collect all Court ordered victim restitution and impoundment costs in addition to any fees for

probation services. Furthermore, Contractor acknowledges and agrees that probationers shall satisfy all court ordered fines, victim restitution, and court costs prior to Contractor collecting

probation fees.

- 5. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its agents and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of its work under this Agreement, where such claim, damage, loss, or expense is caused, in whole or in part, by the act or omission of the Contractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused by in part by a party indemnified thereunder. In any and all claims against the County, or any of its agents or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under this paragraph shall not be limited in any way by a limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the custodial contractor, under workers' compensation acts, or other related policies of insurance. The parties acknowledge specific consideration has been exchanged for this provision.
- 6. **MODIFICATIONS TO CONTRACT:** This Agreement, together with any exhibits, task assignments and schedules constitute the entire Agreement between the County and the Contractor and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings. This Agreement and any exhibits, task assignments and schedules may only be amended, supplemented or canceled by a written instrument duly executed by the parties hereto.
- 7. **INSURANCE:** The Contractor shall maintain, on a primary basis and at its sole expense, at all times during the life of this contract, or the performance of work hereunder, the following insurance coverage's, limits, and endorsements described herein. The requirements contained herein, as well as the County's review or acknowledgement, is not intended to and shall not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Contractor under this contract.

<u>Financial Rating of Insurance Companies</u> All insurance companies must have financial rating of **A-** or higher by A.M. Best.

<u>Commercial General Liability</u> The Contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence and \$2,000,000 Annual Aggregate. The coverage shall not contain any endorsement(s) excluding nor limiting Product/Completed Operations, Independent Contractors, Broad Form Property Damage, X-C-U Coverage, Contractual Liability or Cross Liability. The self-insured retention or deductible shall not exceed \$25,000.

<u>Business Automobile Liability</u> The Contractor shall maintain Business Automobile Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence. Coverage shall include liability for Owned, Non-Owned & Hired automobiles. In the event the Contractor does not own automobiles, the Contractor shall maintain coverage for Hired & Non-Owned Auto Liability, which may be satisfied by way of endorsement to the Commercial General Liability policy or separate Business Auto Liability policy.

<u>Worker's Compensation Insurance & Employers Liability</u> The Contractor shall maintain its own Worker's Compensation Insurance & Employers Liability in accordance with Florida Statute Chapter 440. (NOTE: Elective exemptions or coverage through an employee leasing arrangement will NOT satisfy this requirement).

<u>Umbrella or Excess Liability (needed for large contracts as determined by Risk Management)</u>
The Contractor shall maintain either a Commercial Umbrella or Excess Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$2,000,000 Each Occurrence and \$2,000,000 Aggregate. The Contractor shall

endorse the County as an "Additional Insured" on the Umbrella or Excess Liability, unless the Commercial Umbrella/Excess Liability provides coverage on a pure "True Follow-Form" basis, or the County is automatically defined as an Additional Protected Person. Any self-insured retention or deductible shall not exceed \$25,000.

<u>Additional Insured</u> The Contractor shall endorse the County as an Additional Insured on the Commercial General Liability with a <u>CG 2010 Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees, or Contractors, or CG2026 Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees, or Contractors – Scheduled Person or <u>Organization endorsement,</u> or similar endorsement providing equal or broader Additional Insured coverage.</u>

In addition, the Contractor shall endorse the County as an Additional Insured under the Contractor's Commercial Umbrella/Excess Liability as required herein.

The name of the organization endorsed as Additional Insured for all endorsements shall read "Sumter County Board of County Commissioners."

<u>Indemnification</u> The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its offices, agents and employees from and against any and all claims, losses or liability, or any portion thereof, including attorney's fees and costs, arising from injury or death to persons, including injuries, sickness, disease or death to contractor's own employees or damage to property occasioned by a negligent act, omission or failure of the Contractor.

Builder's Risk (when applicable) The Contractor, prior to notice to proceed or commencement of work, whichever occurs first, shall maintain Builder's Risk insurance providing coverage to protect the interests of the County, Contractor, subcontractors, including property acquired under a sales tax incentive program, property in transit, and property on or off-premises, which shall become part of the building or project. Coverage shall be written on an All-Risk, Replacement Cost, and Completed Value Form basis in an amount at least equal to 100% of the projected completed value of the Project as well as subsequent modifications of that sum. Any flat deductible(s) shall not exceed \$25,000, any wind percentage deductible (when applicable) shall not exceed ten-percent (10%); and any flood sub limit shall not be less than 25% of the projected completed value of the project. The Contractor shall endorse the policy with a manuscript endorsement eliminating the automatic termination of coverage in the event the building is occupied in whole or in part, or put to its intended use, or partially accepted by the County. The manuscript endorsement shall amend the automatic termination clause to only terminate coverage if the policy expires, is cancelled, the County's interest in the building ceases, or the building is accepted or insured by the County.

The Contractor shall endorse the County as Additional Insured, or Loss Payee, on the Builder's Risk.

<u>Deductibles, Coinsurance Penalties, & Self-Insured Retention</u> The Contractor shall be fully and solely responsible for any costs or expenses as a result of a coverage deductible, coinsurance penalty, or self-insured retention; including any loss not covered because of the operation of such deductible, coinsurance penalty, self-insured retention, or coverage exclusion or limitation. For deductible amounts that exceed the amounts stated herein that are acceptable to the County, the Contractor shall, when requested by the County, maintain a Commercial Surety Bond in an amount equal to said deductible amount.

<u>Waiver of Subrogation</u> The Contractor shall provide a Waiver of Subrogation in favor of the County, Contractor, subcontractor, architects, or engineers for each required policy providing coverage during the life of this Contract. When required by the insurer, or should a policy condition not permit the Contractor to enter into a pre-loss agreement to waive subrogation without an endorsement, then the Contractor shall notify the insurer and request the policy be endorsed with a

Waiver of Transfer of Rights of Recovery Against Others, or an equivalent endorsement. This Waiver of Subrogation requirement shall not apply to any policy which includes a condition specifically prohibiting such an endorsement, or voids coverage should the Contractor enter into such an agreement on a pre-loss basis.

Right to Revise or Reject The County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and revise any insurance requirement, not limited to limits, coverage's and endorsements based on insurance market conditions affecting the availability or affordability of coverage; or changes in the scope of work / specifications affecting the applicability of coverage. Additionally, the County reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and reject any insurance policies failing to meet the criteria stated herein, or any insurer(s) providing coverage due to its poor financial condition or failure to operate legally. In such events, the County shall provide the Contractor written notice of such revision or rejections.

No Representation of Coverage Adequacy The coverage's, limits or endorsements required herein protect the primary interests of the County, and these coverage's, limits or endorsements shall in no way be required to be relied upon when assessing the extent or determining appropriate types and limits of coverage to protect the Contractor against any loss exposures, whether as a result of the Project or otherwise.

Certificate(s) of Insurance The Contractor shall provide the County with Certificate(s) of Insurance clearly evidencing that all coverage's, limits and endorsements required herein are maintained and in full force and effect. A minimum thirty (30) day endeavor to notify due to cancellation or non-renewal of coverage shall be identified on each Certificate of Insurance. In the event the County is notified that a required insurance coverage will cancel or expire during the period of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees to furnish the County prior to the expiration of such insurance, a new Certificate of Insurance evidencing replacement coverage. When notified by the County, the Contractor agrees not to continue work pursuant to this Contract, unless all required insurance remains in effect.

The County shall have the right, but not the obligation, of prohibiting the Contractor from entering the Project site until a new Certificate of Insurance is provided to the County evidencing the replacement coverage. The Contractor agrees the County reserves the right to withhold payment to the Contractor until evidence of reinstated or replacement coverage is provided to the County. If the Contractor fails to maintain the insurance as set forth herein, the Contractor agrees the County shall have the right, but not the obligation, to purchase replacement insurance, which the Contractor agrees to reimburse any premiums or expenses incurred by the County.

The Contractor agrees the Certificate(s) of Insurance shall:

- A. Clearly indicate the County has been endorsed on the Commercial General Liability with a <u>CG 2010 Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees, or Contractors, or CG 2026</u> <u>Additional Insured – Owners, Lessees, or Contractors – Scheduled Person or</u> <u>Organization endorsement,</u> or similar endorsement providing equal or greater Additional Insured coverage.
- B. Clearly indicate the County is endorsed as an Additional Insured, or Loss Payee, on the Builder's Risk, and when applicable, Additional Insured on the Commercial Umbrella/Excess Liability as required herein.
- C. Clearly identify each policy's limits, flat and percentage deductibles, sub limits, or self-insured retentions, which exceed the amounts or percentages set forth herein.

D. Clearly indicate a minimum thirty (30) day endeavor to notify requirement in the event of cancellation or non-renewal of coverage.

Forward original to and clearly indicate Certificate Holder and Additional Insured as follows:

Sumter County Board of County Commissioners

Risk Management Department

Attn: Lita Hart

7375 Powell Road, Suite 219

Wildwood, FL 34785

- 8. **BONDS:** Contractor shall provide the County, within ten (10) days of the date of this Agreement, and at Contractor's expense, a Fidelity Bond in a form deemed satisfactory by the County, for a minimum of fifty-thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), effective during the complete term of the Agreement. This bonding shall cover any incident involving the firm's personnel assigned to work in the County for the same limits. Bonding shall be for both fidelity and honest exposures. A certificate or verification, or both shall be filed with the Purchasing Services Office and shall be subject to approval before work can commence under this Agreement. The bond shall either name the County as the insured oblige or include an endorsement naming the County as an additional oblige and providing for customary property coverage in favor of the County. If the firm does business as an individual, the bond shall cover said person as an individual as protection to the County.
- 9. **ATTORNEY'S FEES:** In the event any legal action is initiated to enforce the terms of this Agreement, each party shall bear its own attorney's fees and costs.
- 10. **GOVERNING LAW:** This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted and construed according to the laws of the State of Florida.
- 11. **COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES:** It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to be aware of and comply with all federal, state and local laws.
- 12. **LICENSING:** The Contractor, at its sole expense, shall obtain all required federal, state, and local licenses, occupational and otherwise, required to successfully providing the services set forth herein.
- 13. **VENUE:** Venue for any legal action by any party to this Agreement to interpret, construe or enforce this Agreement shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction in and for Sumter County, Florida, and any trial shall be non-jury.
- 14. **ASSIGNMENTS:** Contractor shall not assign any portion of this Agreement without the written permission of the County.
- 15. **TERMINATION:** If either Party fails or refuses to perform or comply with any of the provisions of this Agreement, or otherwise fails to timely satisfy the Agreement provisions, the non-offending Party shall mail a Notice of Termination to the offending Party, notifying the offending Party of its intent to terminate the Agreement, and shall demand that the non-compliance be cured within ten (10) days of the date of such notice. If the non-compliance is not cured within the ten (10) day period, the Agreement, or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform, shall be terminated. Such termination shall become effective thirty (30) days after the non-offending Party's receipt of the Notice of Termination referenced above. Any work completed or services provided prior to the date of termination shall, at the option of the

County, become the property of the County. The County is only responsible for payment for work completed or services provided prior to the effective date of termination.

The County reserves the right to cancel the contract without cause upon providing Contractor with written notice, at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the termination. Termination or cancellation of the Contract shall not relieve the Contractor of any obligations for any deliverables entered into prior to the termination of the Contract. Termination or cancellation of the Contract shall not relieve the Contractor of any obligations or liabilities resulting from acts committed by the Contractor prior to the effective date of the termination of the Contract. In the event of termination by either party as provided herein, the Contractor shall be paid for services performed through the date of termination.

- 16. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** The contractor shall perform the services under this agreement as an independent contractor and nothing contained herein shall be construed to be inconsistent with this relationship or status. Nothing in this agreement shall be interpreted or construed to constitute the Contractor or any of its agents or employees to be the agent, employee or representative of the County.
- 17. **RIGHT TO AUDIT RECORDS:** In performance of this Agreement, the Contractor shall keep books, records, and accounts of all activities related to the Agreement, in compliance with generally accepted accounting procedures. All documents, papers, books, records and accounts made or received by the contractor in conjunction with the Agreement and the performance of this Agreement shall be open to inspection during regular business hours by an authorized representative of the office and shall be retained by the contractor for a period of three (3) years after termination of this Agreement, unless such records are exempt from section 24(a) of Article I of the State Constitution and section 119.07(1) Florida Statutes. All records or documents created by the Contractor or provided to the Contractor by the County in connection with the activities or services provided by the Contractor under the terms of this agreement, are public records and the Contractor agrees to comply with any request for such public records or documents made in accordance with section 119.07 Florida Statutes.
- 18. **UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN WORKERS:** Sumter County will not intentionally award publicly-funded contracts to any contractor who knowingly employs unauthorized alien workers, constituting a violation of the employment provisions contained in 8 U.S.C. Section 1324a(e)(Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act "INA"). The County shall consider a contractors intentional employment of unauthorized aliens as grounds for immediate termination of this Agreement.
- 19. **FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER:** The Contractor shall provide to the County their Federal Tax ID Number or, if the Contractor is a sole proprietor, a Social Security Number.
- 20. **PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES:** A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with a public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of thirty six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

- 21. **SEVERABILITY:** All clauses found herein shall act independently of each other. If a clause is found to be illegal or unenforceable, it shall have no effect on any other provision of this Agreement. It is understood by the Parties hereto that if any part, term or provision of this Agreement is by the courts held to be illegal or in conflict with any law of the State of Florida or the United States, the validity of the remaining portions or provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the Parties shall be construed and enforced as if the Agreement did not contain the particular part, term, or provision held to be invalid.
- 22. WAIVER: Failure of the Parties to insist upon strict performance of any of the covenants, terms, provisions, or conditions of this Agreement or to exercise any right or option herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or a relinquishment for the future of any such covenant, term, provision, or condition, or right of election, but same shall remain in full force and effect.
- 23. **CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT:** The Parties hereby acknowledge that they have fully reviewed this Agreement and its attachments, and have had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel of their choice, and that this Agreement shall not be construed against any Party as if they were the drafter of this Agreement.
- 24. **NOTICE:** Any notices required by this Agreement shall be mailed to the following individual(s), by Certified Mail, Return Receipt requested:

FOR THE CONSULTANT

Name:	Name:	
Address:	Address:	
Title:	Title:	
Date:	Date:	
IN WITNESS WHEREOF and year first above written.	, the Parties have hereunto set their hands and seals on	the day
ATTEST:	SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	
Ву:		
	By:, Chairman	
	Date Signed:	
ATTEST:	CONSULTANT	
Ву:		
	By:	
	Date Signed:	
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FOR THE BOARD